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In re Application of

John H. Lee et al

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: PETITION TO SUSPEND ACTION

This is in reply to applicants' request for a six month suspension of prosecution under 37 CFR 1.103(a), filed June 13, 2001, concurrently with a CPA request.

37 CFR 1.103(a) permits suspension of action in an application on request of applicant when there is a good and sufficient cause for suspension and when accompanied by the appropriate fee. Applicants allude to unavailability of the inventors and potential corporate restructuring and/or reassignment to another party. However, no details of these broad allegations are set forth so as to substantiate a "good and sufficient cause for suspension" as required by the rule.

However, 37 CFR 1.103(b) permits a limited three month suspension of prosecution when the request therefor is filed with a CPA request as has been done herein. The request for a limited suspension of action which accompanied the CPA papers filed June 13, 2001, is granted and runs three months from the date of filing of the CPA papers.

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